

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING BLEACHED MECHANICAL AND
CHEMITHRMO MECHANICAL PULP#5
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

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3. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, characterized by passing the pulp suspension immediately subsequent to said steam separation to a second refiner for further refinement (defibration) of said pulp and from there to further steam separation.

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5. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, characterized by also passing the pulp suspension to a slusher (latency pulper) located immediately upstream of the storage vessel (the latency chest).

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7. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, characterized by causing reject pulp suspension from the screening department to pass through a refiner and thereafter through a